

6. (Amended) A [C]lamping device as [claimed] recited in [C]claim 1[ or 2],  
[characterised in that] wherein the pincer portions [(18)] are connected with a  
spreader device [(20, 19, 21)] which has, via comprising attenuated portions, web  
[(19)] connected with the ends of the pincer portions [(18)], [the two webs (19)]  
having an overall length which is [somewhat] greater than the distance between the  
free ends of the pincer elements [(18)] when the grip jaws [(15)] are [lying] adjacent  
to each other.

8. (Amended) A c[C]lamping device as recited [claimed in any one of C] in claim[s] 1  
[to 7], [characterised in that] wherein the clamping devices [(3) or their half-profiles  
(3')] are [made by a] manufactured utilizing a plastic extrusion process, [especially  
with] comprising co-extruded gripping, clamping and/or connecting points [(23,  
23')].

12. (Amended) A [P]rocess as [claimed in any of C] recited in claim[s] 9 [to 11],  
[characterised in that] wherein predetermined breaking points are stamped into the  
length of extruded plastic.

13. (Amended) A [P]rocess as [claimed in any of C] recited in claim[s] 9[ to 12],  
[characterised in that] wherein the latching profiles, which fit into each other, are  
extruded to form a snap connection [(30)] between the half-profiles [(3')] in the  
transition area [(5)].

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14. (NEW) A clamping device as recited in claim 2, wherein the hollow chamber <sup>(profits)</sup> of the pincer portions of the grip jaws are formed integrally with the boundary walls of the hollow chamber profiles including at least one web running transversely to the grip jaws direction of actuation.
15. ~~(NEW) A clamping device as recited in claim 2, wherein a spring device forces the pincer portions apart in addition to the biasing force.~~
16. (NEW) A clamping device as recited in claim 3, wherein a spring device forces the pincer portions apart in addition to the biasing force.
17. (NEW) A clamping device as recited in claim 14, wherein a spring device forces the pincer portions apart in addition to the biasing force.
18. (NEW) A clamping device as recited in claim 2, wherein the pincer portions are connected with a spreader device comprising attenuated portions, web connected with the ends of the pincer portions, having an overall length which is greater than the distance between the free ends of the pincer elements when the grip jaws are adjacent to each other.
19. ~~(NEW) A clamping device as recited in claim 2, wherein the clamping devices are manufactured utilizing a plastic extrusion process, comprising co-extruded gripping, clamping and/or connecting points.~~
20. (NEW) A clamping device as recited in claim 3, wherein the clamping devices are manufactured utilizing a plastic extrusion process, comprising co-extruded gripping, clamping and/or connecting points.
21. (NEW) A clamping device as recited in claim 3, wherein the clamping devices are manufactured utilizing a plastic extrusion process, comprising co-extruded gripping, clamping and/or connecting points.

22. (NEW) A clamping device as recited in claim 4, wherein the clamping devices are manufactured utilizing a plastic extrusion process, comprising co-extruded gripping, clamping and/or connecting points.
23. (NEW) A clamping device as recited in claim 5, wherein the clamping devices are manufactured utilizing a plastic extrusion process, comprising co-extruded gripping, clamping and/or connecting points.
24. (NEW) A clamping device as recited in claim 6, wherein the clamping devices are manufactured utilizing a plastic extrusion process, comprising co-extruded gripping, clamping and/or connecting points.
25. (NEW) A clamping device as recited in claim 7, wherein the clamping devices are manufactured utilizing a plastic extrusion process, comprising co-extruded gripping, clamping and/or connecting points.
26. (NEW) A clamping device as recited in claim 14, wherein the clamping devices are manufactured utilizing a plastic extrusion process, comprising co-extruded gripping, clamping and/or connecting points.
27. (NEW) A clamping device as recited in claim 15, wherein the clamping devices are manufactured utilizing a plastic extrusion process, comprising co-extruded gripping, clamping and/or connecting points.
28. (NEW) A clamping device as recited in claim 16, wherein the clamping devices are manufactured utilizing a plastic extrusion process, comprising co-extruded gripping, clamping and/or connecting points.
29. (NEW) A clamping device as recited in claim 17, wherein the clamping devices are manufactured utilizing a plastic extrusion process, comprising co-extruded gripping, clamping and/or connecting points.

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(NEW) A process as recited in claim 10, wherein predetermined breaking points are stamped into the length of extruded plastic.

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(NEW) A process as recited in claim 11, wherein predetermined breaking points are stamped into the length of extruded plastic.

(NEW) A process as recited in claim 12, wherein the latching profiles, which fit into each other, are extruded to form a snap connection between the half-profiles in the transition area.

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